GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT
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Shortage of seats in ITs
Yellaiah Shri Nandi

Will the Minister of HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government is aware that a large number of students are deprived of the opportunity to get admission in Indian Institutes of Technology (IITs) due to shortage of seats and faculty;
(b) if so, whether the Government proposes to take remedial action in this regard; and
(c) if so, the details thereof and if not, the reasons therefor?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT
(DR. MAHENDRA NATH PANDEY)
(a) to (c) : Admission in IITs in various courses is done on the basis of merit in the admission tests such as Joint Entrance Examination (Advanced) [JEE (Advanced)], Graduate Aptitude Test in Engineering (GATE) and Joint Admission Test for M.Sc (JAM). However, the IIT-Council in its 50th Meeting held on 23.08.2016 approved the proposal for increasing the overall students' strength in the IITs to one lakh by the year 2020. All IITs have been asked to prepare a plan of action for implementing this decision.
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